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MAY BREAK UP PEACE

TURKEY MUST REPLY FINALLY THURSDAY

"If Ottoman Answer Not Satisfactory Then", Says Ambassador Daneff "We Will Meet Again On The Field In Front Of Tchatalja And That Will Be The Last Of Turkey In Europe"

[Special Star-Bulletin Cable]
LONDON, Dec. 18.—Already, after but twenty-four hours of deliberation, the plenipotentiaries are at loggerheads and there is a threatened split that may result in the abandonment of the peace negotiations tomorrow morning and the return to arms as the final arbitrament of the quarrel between the Turk and the Balkan Allies.

The difficulty has arisen over the objections filed by the Turkish representatives against the presence of Greece at the conference board, a protest that has grown all the stronger since the news of the two naval engagements off the mouth of the Dardanelles has been received here.

On the other hand, the allies are tired of waiting for the permission from Constantinople to go on with the conference, despite the presence of the Greek, and today they insisted that they would break up the conference and go back to battle for settlement of their troubles, unless the Porte answered by tomorrow morning, and answered favorably. They are all agreed upon one thing—they will not continue the conference unless Greece is represented in the hall, and they will not wait any longer than tomorrow.

Said Ambassador Daneff, speaking for his associates of the Balkan confederacy:

"We are tired of his fooling. The Turk is gaining by the delay, not the Allies. Already he is stronger than he was when the war between us began, and we have much of our work to do all over again if these negotiations fall through. We shall wait until tomorrow morning and then if the Porte has not given his envoys permission to proceed with the conference as it is at present constituted, that is with the Greek representatives present we shall abandon the whole thing. If we do that the Ottoman and the Allies will meet the next time on the fields outside of Tchatalja, and that will be the last of the Ottoman in Europe."

RUSSIA EXPLAINS

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia, Dec. 19.—The Prime Minister, M. Kokovtsov, today announced that his government is forced, in view of the charges that are being made in certain quarters, to deny that Russia has any ulterior designs on the Balkans, and to insist that she is acting in good faith and without self interest.

SERBIA REASONABLE

LONDON, Dec. 18.—One of the Serbian plenipotentiaries here today declared that Serbia is willing to have the Powers adjudicate the claims of his country for a port on the Adriatic.

CANNOT FIND OLD JOHN D.

[Special Star-Bulletin Cable]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives announced that after four months of hunting he and his men had been unable to serve John D. Rockefeller with a summons to appear before the committee investigating the so-called money trust.

ARGUMENTS IN THE DYNAMITE CASE DRAG

[Special Star-Bulletin Cable]
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 18.—It was stated by the attorneys in the case that the arguments in the dynamite case would probably last eight days and that it certainly would be at least that length of time before the cases went to the jury.

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TRIO OF WAR LORDS OF EUROPE



Above, and to the right, is Emperor Franz Joseph, monarch of Austria-Hungary, and master of nearly a million highly-trained men; below, to the left, is the Kaiser, head of Germany's great army, and the ally of Franz Joseph; the other is Nicholas, Czar of the Russians, who may, if war should come, lead the coalition opposing Austria, Germany and Italy, in behalf of the Serbs.

GOETHALS NEXT CANAL GOVERNOR

[Associated Press Cable]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—It became known here today that President Taft has decided to appoint Colonel Goethals the first governor of the Canal Zone. It had been intended to do this some time ago, but it was feared that the change in the present form of administration would delay the completion of the canal. It is probable that the appointment will go to the Senate after the return of the President from his contemplated trip to the canal, and that it will be ratified at once, as there is a general feeling that no better man for the place could be found. It is understood that Colonel Goethals has been asked whether he would accept and has declared that he would.

REID'S BODY TO BE BROUGHT BACK IN STATE

[Associated Press Cable]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The offer made this government by Great Britain to send a warship as conveyance for the body of the late Ambassador Whiteley Reid, has been accepted. No date, as yet, has been set for the departure of the vessel.

RAILROAD ASKS COURT TO HELP DISSOLVE MERGER

[Associated Press Cable]
NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—President Lovett, of the Southern Pacific system today forwarded to Washington a request that the Supreme Court formulate a plan for the dissolution of the merger, of which the road was recently found a part. The railroad man states, that in such as the Attorney General has refused to approve of the plans submitted by the road, that corporation is at a loss how to proceed and suggests that the difficulty could be solved by the Supreme Court, the railroad that found the company guilty of violating the law.

WOULD-BE ASSAILANT OF WILSON HELD

[Associated Press Cable]
NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 18.—Jacob Dunn, one of three men accused of having sent threatening letters to President-elect Wilson, was held for the grand jury, after the preliminary hearing here this morning. The formal charge against Dunn is blackmailing. His brother and his associate were dismissed, owing to the lack of evidence against them.

CZAREVITCH NOT VICTIM OF TUBERCULOSIS

[Special Star-Bulletin Cable]
BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 18.—The Russian ambassador here today announced that he had been instructed by his government to deny the reports current in Germany that the Czarévitch is a victim of tuberculosis. He insisted that His Highness is recovering from the effects of his accident and is in fairly good health.

BRITAIN WOULD REVERSE PEACE ANNIVERSARY

[Associated Press Cable]
LONDON, Dec. 18.—The British committee which has in charge the arrangements on this side of the water for the celebration of the 100th anniversary of peace between the United States and Great Britain has decided to urge upon both nations a plan for the holding of statutes that will commemorate the signing of the treaty between the nations in 1814. One statute will, if the plan is carried into effect, be built at Westminster by the American government, and the other to be raised at Washington by the British.

CAVALRY GETS BILL IN ESTIMATE

Work on the permanent post at Schofield Barracks held up for lack of funds, as feared from time to time. Owing to the annual estimates to congress include an even appropriation for the work to be counted on heretofore, andington advises indicate that the will be made available immediately and that all moneys asked for Oahu will be given without question.

The sum of \$472,000 is recommended for the completion of the cavalry post at Lihueh. This is in addition to \$200,000 which was made available last year, most of which has already been expended in construction work. This large appropriation is to continue available beyond the fiscal year of which the appropriation act in which it is contained makes provision.

The financial story of the permanent cavalry post here is somewhat complicated, and Major General Aleshire, chief of the quartermaster corps, tells it in a note accompanying the estimate, as follows:

Note.—In the estimates to congress for the fiscal year 1910 (Book of Estimates, p. 248) was an item of \$672,750 for the construction of a cavalry post in the Hawaiian Territory, and of the amount requested there was appropriated in the sundry civil act of March 4, 1909, the sum of \$200,000. In the sundry civil act of June 25, 1910 (Digest of Appropriations, Fiscal year 1911, p. 311), the following language appears:

"For continuing the construction of the officers' quarters, barracks, storehouses, and so forth, necessary for the accommodation of headquarters and two squadrons of cavalry, a contract is hereby authorized to be entered into, in addition to the appropriation."

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PLUMBING TRUST CHARGED, BUT BILL PASSES

Hot argument and hotter oratory flowed freely in the City Hall at noon today when the board of supervisors held a meeting to discuss the passing of the plumbing ordinance on third reading.

It was not until 1:30 o'clock this afternoon that the supervisors finally got to a vote on the passage of the ordinance, and then it passed by a vote of 5 to 1. Low alone opposing. Arnold was absent, Murray, Kruger, Dwight, McClellan and Amana voted in favor of the ordinance.

Mayor Fern opposes the ordinance in its present form and announces that he will veto it. This being the case, there is some question as to whether the mayor, by holding the ordinance to the ten-day limit and returning it with his veto, cannot prevent it from becoming a law.

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MORGAN BOSS OF BILLIONS

[Associated Press Cable]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—None even among the muckrakers, who are following the developments of the hearing of the committee investigating the so-called "money trust" dreamed of the power of Pierpont Morgan the banker of Wall street, and, if what was told on the stand here today, the most powerful man in the United States.

Calmly Mr. Morgan admitted that he controls more than 26 billions of capital in the United States, and that his banking institution on Wall and Broad streets has deposits totaling more than 71 millions and that this sum is growing constantly.

Mr. Morgan outlined for the benefit of the committee the interlocking system of directors, whereby he is enabled to control this stupendous amount of money, and to exercise the power that goes with such control. In all Mr. Morgan was less than an hour on the stand, but his every word was a fresh sensation, and he held the blasé members of the committee voiceless until he was done. There was very little cross-questioning of the Money Mammoth.



Bourbons Called Upon to Consider Difficulty of Securing Good Men to Fill Vacancies in Treasurer's Office, Owing to Size of Salaries Paid by the County—Economy Program May Go Glimmering When Wheels Start to Turn

Facing the greatest difficulty of their administration before even the wheels begin to turn, the Democratic solons in the new board of supervisors are wondering how they are going to make their economy program libe with the difficulty some of the selected officers are having in filling vacancies in the departments at the salaries the county stands willing to pay. The man who has had the worst job on his hands, to date, is the County Treasurer to be, Col. McCarthy.

McCarthy, it is understood, spent most of November in a vain hunt for a capable man, who was willing to quit a good, steady job with a private firm to accept the deputy treasurer'ship at \$150 per month. Apparently the Colonel has not yet solved the problem, or if he has, he is keeping very mum about it.

He has informed the members of the next board of supervisors that he has asked two men in Honolulu to take the place, now held by Gen. Campbell, and that they refused, basing their refusal on the ground that the salary is utterly inadequate, when he duties and responsibilities of the proffered office is considered. And that is the saddest blow of all: he would-be economists, is the statement made by the Colonel, in commenting upon the action of these two "volunteers."

"I told the board," said the colonel this morning, "that \$150 is not enough to pay a man, asked to assume the responsibilities of that office. It was pointed out that Mr. Campbell, the present deputy in the treasurer's office, is receiving that salary. But that case is altogether different. In the first place Mr. Campbell receives a handsome salary from the Waterhouse Trust Company, a salary amply sufficient for the needs of the average man, and the money he gets from the county is velvet. I shall not be able to do anything like that for the man who becomes my deputy."

The incoming board admits all this, but is very sorrowful about it and fears, to a man, that the splendid program of retrenchment and slicing of Republican salaries will have to be abandoned.

W. H. C. CAMPBELL GETS SPEEDY COAST PACER

W. H. C. Campbell, one of the moving spirits in the promotion of the New Year's race meeting at Kapiolani Park, received this morning by the Larline a speedy harness animal that will probably be seen in action on the local track. He is a 6-year old pacer, a bay gelding, named Bill C. This horse has some fast marks on Coast tracks, and great things are expected of him, as soon as he becomes acclimated to Hawaii. The horse is the first of quite a string that Mr. Campbell intends to import if the New Year's meeting proves a success.

Declaring the present revenues from wharves in the Territory insufficient to meet the demands for improvements made necessary by commerce of the present and immediate future, James Wakefield, special committee of one of the board of harbor commissioners, is this afternoon presenting to the entire board a report recommending that a "tonnage tax" be imposed on all incoming and outgoing cargoes.

Together with these important recommendations, the committee urges that the policy involved in such a vital matter to the commercial interests of the entire Territory that all the available data should be gathered and submitted to the Chamber of Commerce, Merchants' Association and other like organizations in Honolulu, the Hilo Board of Trade, Maui Chamber of Commerce and other civic and business organizations throughout the territory.

The report of Mr. Wakefield is as follows:

Honolulu, December 18th, 1912.
U. K. Bishop, Esq., Chairman, Board of Harbor Commissioners, Honolulu.
Dear Sir:—Your Committee appointed to report on "Revenues" from Territorial Wharves beg to state as follows:

Investment.
After careful investigation of available data the Territory of Hawaii has invested in Wharves in Honolulu Harbor, and landings on the island of Hawaii, Maui, Kauai and Molokai, the sum of \$1,396,701.53; this total does not include any portion of the sum appropriated for the Hilo Wharf Contract, of this sum the wharves in Honolulu Harbor absorb \$1,247,701.53, and some 26 landings on the above named islands account for the balance of \$149,000.

Source of Revenue.
The only source of revenue from his large investment is the collection of a charge of .02 per ton per year on the net registered tonnage of steamers when actually lying alongside one of the territorial wharves; landings or wharves which are so situated or constructed that vessels cannot be berthed alongside, yield the territory absolutely no revenue under the present system of charges, no matter how costly the wharf may have been to the Territory to construct and to maintain.

Actual Revenue.
The total earnings of wharves in Honolulu harbor over the past year from Oct. 1, 1911, to Sept. 30, 1912, was \$44,691.18; all landings and wharves owned by the Territory on the islands of Hawaii, Maui, Kauai and Molokai yield no revenue whatever. These gross earnings show a return of 3.20 per cent on the Territory's total wharf investments, or 3.58 per cent on the Territory's investment in Honolulu harbor wharves alone.

Expense.
The last legislature appropriated the sum of \$49,500 for repairs to wharves and landings for the present biennial period, \$30,000 of which was for the repair of wharves in Honolulu harbor; this sum, as you are aware, was wholly inadequate to maintain the wharves in Honolulu harbor in a fit and proper condition for the traffic they carry. It is safe to say that the present type of wharves and the character of construction, will absorb for repairs only, for some years to come, the whole of the gross earnings of the wharves from the present sources of wharf revenues, and will leave no

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SUGAR BILLS ALL HELD UP

By C. S. ALBERT

[Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence]
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—No effort whatever will be made at this session of Congress to send a bill to President Taft, revising the sugar schedule of the Payne-Aldrich tariff act. All attempts in that direction have been abandoned.
This is the statement made by Republican and Democratic members of the conference committee having in charge the proposed sugar legislation. Each of them is emphatic in asserting that a meeting of the committee will not be held.
This committee of conference remains in full force and effect until March 1. It has power to report an agreement at any time and ask the approval of the senate and house. It is now hopelessly deadlocked as between the house bill placing sugar on the free list and the senate amendment removing the differential and Dutch color standard and reducing the duty to \$1.60 per 100 pounds on refined sugars.